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Another Bailey joins staff

Principal search ends with new hire from Canby middle school

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Staff Reporter

There has been much talk this year about Principal Kim Noah's impending retirement, which has led to the question, "who will the new principal be?" After deliberation from teachers, staff and students, Lou Bailey, currently the principal at Baker Prairie Middle School in Canby, is set to take over in July.

Expectations are high, as staff and students have been impressed with who and what they've seen so far. "He [Bailey] was very articulate, funny and seemed to be someone who would be able to make good decisions," Andrew West, English teacher and panel member, said.

The process to hire a new principal began long ago, as applications were read and conferences were

held involving staff and administration, to decide who would be right for the job. However, in many people's eyes, Bailey was the top choice from the start.

"There were so many good candidates, however, there were many distinguishing

qualities that led to our decision: his knowledge of the school and the curriculum, his leadership qualities and eagerness to lead," Roger Woehl,

communicator from my experiences with him working as a fellow staff member, as well as having two kids who have grown up through his schools," Gauthier said. "He takes all issues head on. He is personable, approachable and an effective listener," she said.

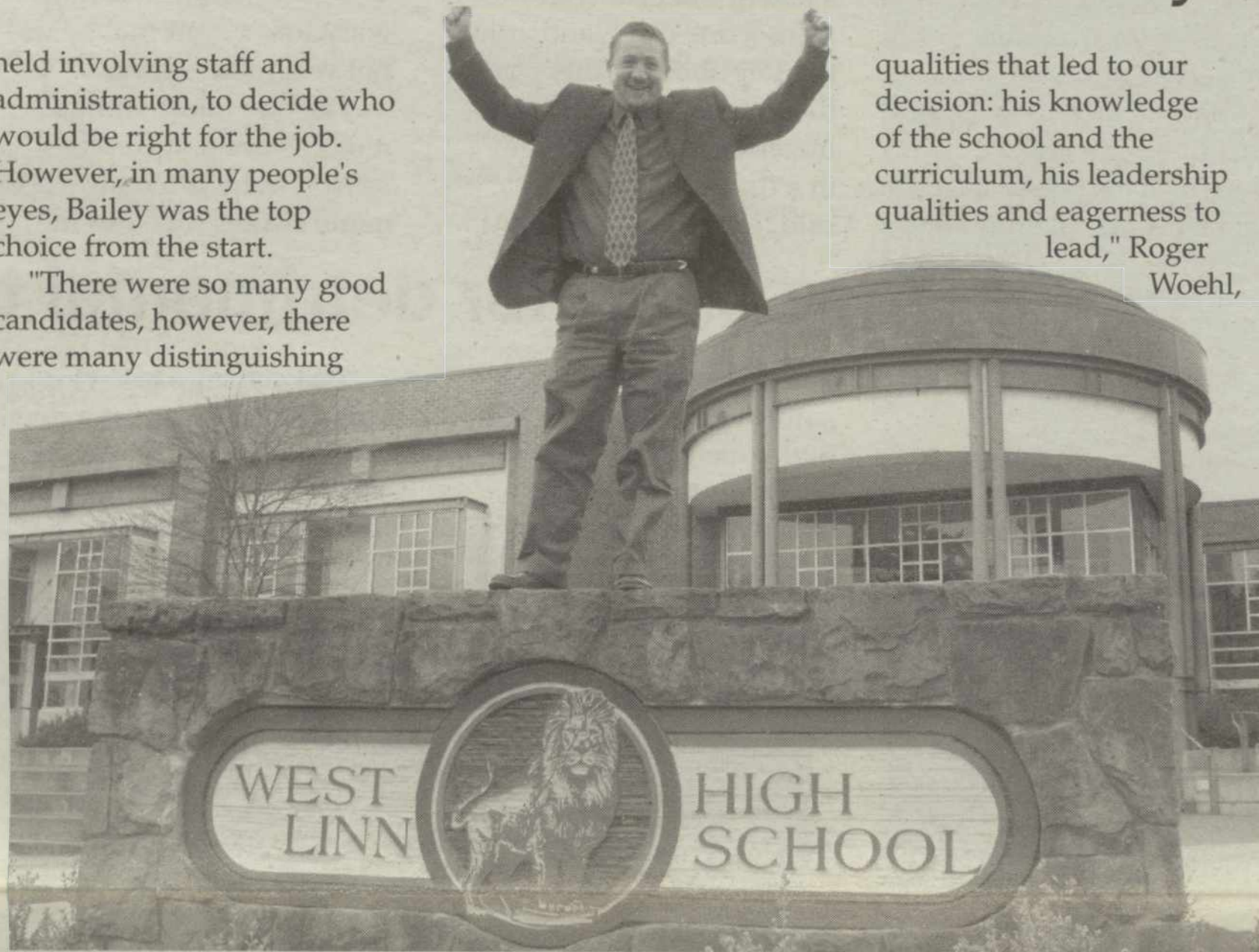
Although Bailey has begun to make himself known, including being introduced to fellow staff members on Mar. 7, and accepting the job offer from Woehl, his new position is not final. "(Bailey's) hiring won't be final until the board [of education] gives the recommendation its stamp of approval," Woehl said.

With an extensive resume, Bailey has been in education since 1985. He began his career as an English teacher and has served as a vice principal of a high school in California and two middle schools in Canby.

In his personal life, Bailey is married to Karen, and has three children. In his down-time he enjoys golfing, spending time with his family and working in the yard. "My wife loves to garden, so I do a lot of yard work over the weekends," Bailey said.

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Lou Bailey prepares to take the reigns as the newly hired principal. His experience, good communication skills and personality helped him to land the position.

Photo by Malia Chong

Advanced Spanish students prepare for trip to Spain

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Staff Reporter

As the end of March looms, people are asking the question: what will you be doing for Spring Break? A tropical island? A road trip across Oregon? Sleeping? Fourteen students from the Spanish IV and V classes, along with Mary Klick, World Language Dept. Chair, and five parent chaperones are going on a country-wide excursion of Spain.

The group will tour Spain to see the sites and experience a new culture. They will begin in Madrid (the capital) and visit different historical markers, such as the Royal Palace, the Prado Art Museum and the Plaza Mayor.

Then, they will travel to Granada to visit the Alhambra, the City of Toledo, and the Windmills of La Mancha, most notably heard of from the Spanish novel "Don Quixote de la Mancha." Afterwards, they will continue on to La Costa del Sol, Sevilla, then Córdoba, and finally, back to Madrid.

The idea came to Klick last year when several of her Spanish IV students approached her about a trip. "They came up to me

exclaiming, 'We want to go to Spain,' Klick said.

After hearing the plea from her students, Klick researched and found a company called EF Tours, which had a reasonable price and would be able to escort everyone around the country.

During the beginning of the school year, Klick addressed each of her Advanced Spanish classes, telling them about the opportunity. She sent e-mails to the parents, providing them with necessary information. If students were interested, they attended a meeting to obtain the necessary information. Most applications were submitted in October and November. In order to prepare for the trip, Klick traveled on Valentine's Day to Paris, France, to attend a training program. In addition, the students going are required to conduct some research on Spain so that they will have some knowledge about the country before going.

"This is one of the best times to be going. It will be around high 60s and the low 70s in the south," Klick said.

"I'm really excited, and I'm looking forward to be able to tell people that I've been to

Spain. I'm also excited to see how things in Spain compare to things here [the United States]," Karleen Schuler, junior, said. "This trip is going to be freakin' amazing. I'm excited to get away from my parents for a week."

The students will leave for Spain on Mar. 22, and come back to the United States on Apr. 1.

Superintendent, said. "He was both motivated and qualified from his experience on the high school and junior high level. We just couldn't find a flaw with him."

Much of the staff, and many of the teachers, have taken a liking to Bailey already, including Diane Gauthier, art teacher, who has previous experience working with him.

"He is a very good

Six WLHS students place first at ISEF

Thirty-nine students advanced to the Northwest Science and Engineering Fair, a state-level competition, that is being held today at Portland State University after placing at the Crest-Jane Goodall Science Symposium, or Intel Science and Engineering Fair, on Feb. 29, held at WLHS. Participants could win awards in five categories, as well as special awards from corporations or groups ranging from Intel to the U.S. Army.

Awards in Physics, Chemistry and Biochemistry

1st Place: Marisa Peralta, senior

2nd Place: Nicole Panichello, Kelsey Guerins sophomores; Avi Levy, junior, and Cheng Tan, senior

3rd Place: Avery Breyne-Cartwright, Calley Lathrop, Kaylyn Schaber, sophomores

Honorable Mention: Gregory White, freshman

Engineering, Mathematics and Computer Science

1st Place: Drew Snodgrass, John Rognlie, freshmen

3rd Place: Avilash Cramer, sophomore

Medicine and Health, Microbiology

1st Place: Elliot Prince, freshman

2nd Place: Michael Biancardi, sophomore

2nd Place tie: Brittany Saulsbury, Alexandra Frye, Kathryn Flyte, sophomores

Environmental Science, Earth Science, Botany and Zoology

1st Place: Haley Epperly, Ann Bernert, freshmen

2nd Place: Ari Hopkinson, Mallory Griffith, sophomores

Honorable Mention: Sarah Dawson, Paige McKowen, McKinzey Holder, sophomores